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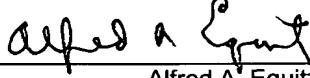
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Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Add the following new paragraph to page 17, before line 13 of existing page

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The computer system of Figure 3 includes processor 1, input device 3 coupled to processor 1, and display device 5 coupled to processor 1. Processor 1 is programmed to implement the inventive method in response to instructions and data entered by user manipulation of input device 3. Computer readable optical disk 7 of Fig. 4 has computer code stored thereon. This code is suitable for programming processor 1 to implement an embodiment of the inventive method.

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